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MEMORANDUM FOR

THE SECRETARY OF STATE

THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

SUBJECT:

Foreign Intelligence Activities

REFERENCES:

- A. NSC Action No. 2367
- B. Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated January 9, 1961, SPECIAL LIMITED DISTRIBUTION ONLY
- C. NSC Action No. 2377

The National Security Council, the Secretary of the Treasury, the Attorney General, the Director, Bureau of the Budget, and the Chairman, Atomic Energy Commission, at the 474th NSC Meeting (NSC Action No. 2377):

- a. Discussed the views of the Principals of the Joint Study Group regarding the Group's report, as consolidated by the Director of Central Intelligence (transmitted by the reference memorandum of January 9, 1961); and took the following actions with regard to the recommendations of the Joint Study Group:
 - (1) Concurred in Recommendations Nos. 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 19, 20, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 32, 33, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42 and 43.
 - (2) Concurred in Recommendations Nos. 1, 2 and 30, provided that:
 - (a) Implementation of Recommendations Nos. 1 and 2 should take place after study by the Joint Chiefs of Staff and in a manner to be established by the Secretary of Defense.
 - (b) The implementation of Recommendations Nos. 1, 2 and 30 with respect to the organization and functions of the USIB should be taken in phase with the carrying out of the related internal adjustments within the intelligence components of the Department of Defense.
 - (3) Concurred in Recommendation No. 5, with the understanding that this recommendation did not modify the arrangements in this field under wartime conditions.

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- (4) Concurred in Recommendation No. 16 and approved draft NSCID No. 8 as submitted, with the provision that the National Photographic Intelligence Center (NPIC) should be under the Central Intelligence Agency; and noted the President's statement that there should be no other center duplicating the functions of the NPIC, and that the military services and other departments and agencies should state clearly to the NPIC their particular requirements.
- (5) Concurred in Recommendation No. 18, subject to the deletion of the words "and assign responsibility for periodic reports to the United States Intelligence Board" and the addition of the words "and the agencies concerned should make periodic reports to their agency heads."
- (6) Concurred in principle with Recommendations Nos. 21, 22 and 23, and referred them to the USIB for implementation in consultation with the Secretary of Defense and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.
- (7) Concurred in Recommendation No. 24, subject to the addition of the words "except in situations with respect to which the Secretary of State and the Director of Central Intelligence may agree do not warrant such allocation of responsibility."
- (8) Agreed that, in lieu of establishing the management group proposed in Recommendation No. 31, the functions recommended for that group should be performed by the coordination staff proposed in Recommendation No. 29.
- (9) Concurred in Recommendation No. 34, subject to the addition of the words "or as the Joint Chiefs of Staff may direct, subject to the understanding that National Security Agency communications to service cryptologic agencies in the field are excepted from the provisions of this recommendation."
- (10) Deferred action on Recommendation No. 35.

The above action, approved this date by the President, is transmitted herewith for appropriate implementation.

National Security Council Intelligence Directive No. 8 referred to in \underline{a} -(4) above, and the revisions of NSCIDs Nos. 1, 2, 3, 5 and 6 referred to in NSC Action No. 2377- \underline{b} , are being circulated separately for appropriate implementation.

JAMES S. LAY, JR.
Executive Secretary

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